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## DANCING SUNLIGHT

**The sun's rays dance across the rippled waters of the Welland Canal in this picture captured by a Niagara News photographer. Telephone poles and the church tower only seem to add to the sparkling splendor of the stream. Man's creations and nature's beauty combine to produce a beautiful scene. The News photographer took this picture in the early afternoon when the sun was at its peak, warming the chilly November waters.**

(Photo by Bowman)

# Niagara receives 2 LIP grants, $115,000 for French needs

By MARK TESSIER

Niagara College has been given two Local Initiatives Program (LIP) grants in an attempt to make the college more accessible to French-speaking people of Welland and region.

The grants total $114,560, with $69,600 going towards the establishment of a French theatre group in Welland and $44,960 to a research-type project.

Now that Niagara College is well established, says David Davies, chairman of human development in the School of Applied Arts, "We are able to take stock of what we're doing, and we've become aware we haven't been delivering to French Canadians.

"The French call us 'une college des Anglaises,' " he added.

## $44,000 grant to research new programs

The research grant "is designed to assist Niagara College of Applied Arts and Technology provide a series of related services to the Francophone community of the Niagara region," the LIP application says.

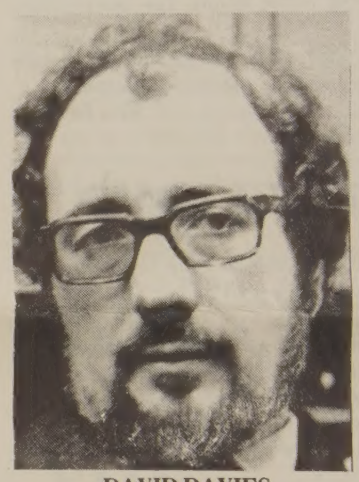
It will have 10 workers who will perform a number of functions designed to give the college an idea of how best to serve the 17,000 French-speaking people in the region.

Mr. Davies said the grant will research the needs of the Francophone community, analyse these, and report to the college what could be done to fulfil them.

Ultimately, the college would like to offer programs taught in French, and it is from the LIP report that these programs will be set up.

The report will also deal with resources in the region which would be helpful in setting up programs at Niagara. These resources would include books and films.

Resources which could be obtained from outside the region will also be looked into. These could include CBC and National Film Board tapes and films.



DAVID DAVIES

## Lauds Davies

Ogwen Glyn-Jones, chairman of communication arts, gives all the credit for acquisition of Local Initiatives Program (LIP) grants to David Davies.

"The original concept was Mr. Davies' and he did all the work concerned with the filing of the application," Mr. Glyn-Jones said. "The success of the application is due largely to his initiatives and energies."

Mr. Glyn-Jones said he was "extremely pleased" with the grants and "very excited at the prospect of bringing French professional theatre to Welland."

## French development officer possible

The college has also presented a $40,000 proposal to the ministry of colleges and universities. This money would aid the college, and in particular the faculty of applied arts, in setting up courses taught in French, both full-time and extension.

The proposal also calls for the creation of a French development officer. It would be this person's duty to act as liaison between the college and the Francophoned community and to recognize its needs with regard to the college.

The ministry's response has been that there is some money available, possibly enough for the development officer. But this is not definite yet.

The college has also made a proposal to the office of the Secretary of State which would enable the library to expand its French volume holdings. It also includes a provision for a mobile counselling centre, about the size of the Radio/TV van.

## French theatre for Welland in the works

The French theatre group to be set up in Welland will serve all sections of the French community as it will give performances at the elementary and high school levels in addition to those for adults.

The theatre company will consist of 16 people, including eight actors.

The company will be "a professional-standard acting company," according to the application presented to LIP. Two children's plays will be presented, one at or before Christmas, and the other in the spring. Two adult Canadian plays will be produced as well. High school productions will be done as the students' needs arise.

## Success assured, says Roger Babin

Roger Babin, head of guidance at Confederation High School in Welland and a member of the French development advisory committee at Niagara College, is "elated" over the Local Initiatives Program (LIP) grants which the college has received.

Speaking at a press conference Nov. 4, Mr. Babin said he hoped the LIP grants would be the "beginning of something both the French and English communities in this area can benefit from."

Mr. Babin said the success of the grants, which would bring a French professional theatre to Welland and research ways Niagara College could fulfill the needs of the French community here, was assured. They "cannot miss," he added.

"This area will serve as an example not only to the rest of Ontario but to all of Canada," he said.

# Course enrolment too low, instrumentation may be out

A severe drop in enrolment in the Industrial Instrumentation Technology program may cause phasing-out of the full-time day program at Niagara.

Two students are now enrolled in the second year of the program, but because only four students applied for first year last spring, it was not offered this year.

In 1970, 20 students were enrolled in the course. By 1974, however, enrolment decreased to five students. Part of the reason for the drop could be the growth in the numer of courses at Niagara between 1970 and 1974. Because students are offered a wider range of courses, students may be drawn to newer courses.

While the program is recognized in the industry as Industrial Instrumental Technology, Frank Ciccarelli, chairman of the electronic, electrical, chemical and instrumentation division of the School of Technology, said the name is meaningless to high school students.

In other community colleges, the program is recognized by the same name as at Niagara. It was felt a change in the name of the program would, for that reason, be worthless.

"There isn't sufficient student interest in the program," said Mr. Ciccarelli. "I'm sorry to see it go because it does offer good opportunities to the graduating student."

James Lee, program co-ordinator of industrial instrumentation technology, said job opportunities in the field are very good, although they are not necessarily all in the Niagara peninsula.

"I don't honestly believe the counselling teachers at high schools know what the course is about," Mr. Lee said. The idea to produce a film to promote the program in high schools was considered but, because funds were not available, the idea was discarded.

A. S. Manera, college president, suggested the college move into continuing educatioln to upgrade the standards of persons now employed in the industry. This would not, however, be offered as a full-time day program.

Should the program definitely be discontinued, the staff would be used in other areas in the college, such as electronics.

# Welcome to Open House

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# EDITORIAL

## Need gun controls

The provincial or federal government should definitely take gun control measures.

In the last five months there have been two shooting sprees in Ontario schools. One in Brampton, May 21, and in Ottawa, Oct. 27.

The results of these incidents have left four dead and many injured.

When will the government wake up and realize the easy access to guns in Canada is the root of violence in society? The crime rate is at an all-time high. A Toronto paper recently reported the number of suicides in Toronto by guns is also at an all-time high. There have been 51 suicides involving guns in Toronto this year compared to 62 in all of 1974.

A person on the verge of suicide is mentally disturbed. So, why is a disturbed person able to get his hands on a gun just by walking into the corner hardware store and purchasing a deadly weapon?

Dr. Morton Shulman, former MLA, proved to Queen's Park how easily one can get a gun. Shortly after the Brampton incident, Shulman purchased a gun on his way to a parliamentary session and carried it into the House with no difficulty. Dr. Shulman told the government he purchased the weapon at a hardware store where the clerk told him it was powerful enough to kill a person.

The provincial government scolded him for taking a gun into the legislature. True, Dr. Shulman's conduct was questionable, but, after, scolding him, the government should have launched an immediate investigation into gun control in Canada.

The government doesn't need to ban guns altogether but it should allow only gun clubs or responsible adults to obtain guns. Who is to way who is responsible? The government should issue a strict test to establish who qualifies for gun ownership and only a high grade on this test would allow a citizen to own a gun.

How many people must die by the bullet before the government realizes we need stricter gun controls?

The Ontario government places stricter control on alcohol which kills slowly if abused, than it does on guns which kill instantly if abused.

**Eric Bowman**

## Lack of content costly

Time Canada and Reader's Digest are going to have to make their content more Canadian or find themselves subject to higher taxes like all other foreign publications.

It's about time the government cracked down on these publications. For some reason, Time was considered exempt because it published a few pages on newsworthy events in Canada. Surely there is more news in Canada in a week than a few pages' worth. A Canadian publication known as Macleans realizes this and has taken on the same format as Time. All Canadians should wish Macleans the best.

If anybody can tell me what is Canadian about Reader's Digest, I would be glad to hear it. The only Canadian content in Reader's Digest is the advertising. It is an American publication and should be treated like one. Reader's Digest publishes short stories and anecdotes, nearly all American. To satisfy the Canadian government the Digest publishes the odd Canadian anecdote or mini-biography on a professional hockey player, born in Canada and making a living in the United States.

The announcement that the government would crack down on these publications brought some cries of government censorship—telling us what we can and can't read. Don't these people realize these two magazines would export issues across the border, knowing there is a readership in Canada? The government isn't telling the nation what to read, but they are telling the publications to shape up Canadian quality, pay up or ship out.

When the announcement was made, the executives of Time Canada and Reader's Digest offered no comment except to say things didn't look good for the survival of these publications in Canada.

What could they say? Their previous privileges were being taken away by a government that couldn't tolerate reading so little about Canada, yet granted the publications tax exemptions. The government isn't asking for pure Canadian content, but more Canadian content wouldn't hurt their (Time and Reader's Digest) chances of remaining exempt.

The government sat back and waited long enough for Canadian content to improve. It warned Time and Reader 's Digest to improve. These warnings have been ignored long enough and the government is taking action.

**Eric Bowman**

# Letters to the editor

## A helpful note

Dear Editor,

I think that it might help when your reporters are covering stories about television or film, if they were to clarify whether a program has been produced on film or on videotape.

If a production, such as "Up your Grammar" (Niagara News, Oct. 30, '75) is produced on videotape in our mobile TV van, it is important that you specify that the show is on tape. That tape can then be used by instructors, who can feed the tape electronically through the college to a TV set in a classroom.

If, however, the program, (for example, "Why Not Technology" Niagara News, Oct. 2, '75), has been made on film, then that film can be projected onto a motion picture screen in a classroom.

Hoping this is of assistance,
I remain,
Visually yours,
Paul Davoud

## TV ads OK

Dear Editor:

As advertising students we were disgruntled upon reading John Bruce's comment on TV commercials, in the Niagara News.

We would like to show you another side of the story, with some facts to back it up, something Mr. Bruce neglected to do. Not that we are saying Mr. Bruce does not have a right to his own opinion, but we felt it was a one-sided attack.

The Definitions Committee of the American Marketing Association defines advertising as "Any paid form of non-personal presentation and promotion of ideas, goods, or services by an identified sponsor." Encompassed in this is the television commercial.

Not all television commercials are good, but neither are all of them bad. It is the same with almost anything, and it can be said that sometimes the commercials are better than the show they are sponsoring.

If everyone finds Charlie the Tuna so insulting, then why is he one of the more successful trade characters, along with Borden's Elsie, General Mill's Betty Crocker and the Campbell Kids. Perhaps Mr. Bruce is so used to violence on the screen that he finds a touch of humor disturbing.

Perhaps his perception of TV commercials is influenced by a preconcieved idea of what is going to be, not what it is.

May we suggest Mr. Bruce, that with an open mind you view some other commercials, as there are more than seven, and let us know if you still feel the same, or better still, why not come and sit in on our advertising class.

Diane Nieuwesteeg
Karen McCann

## OOPS!

The headline in the last edition of the Niagara News reported the beginning of construction of two new buildings at Niagara College. There is only one building being built to house business and technology programs. The story was accurate.

## Sorry, nurses

Dear Editor,

I would like to clarify the above subject (Nurses Win!) appearing on page 4 of the Niagara News Publication—October 30, 1975.

Please note that it was the Niagara College Nursing Council, which encompasses the Mack centre and the Niagara Falls Centre, who prepared and presented the budget to SAC, and therefore it is not the Mack Nurses who have won the fight but the Nursing Council.

I would like you to retract and correct this statement in your next publication. Thanking you in advance.

Yours Sincerely,
(Miss) Dorothy Doyle
Student Services Representative

# LETTERS

**The Niagara News welcomes letters on any subject. Letters should be brief and direct and the editor reserves the right to edit them to conserve space. All letters must be signed, though a pseudonym may be used for publication if desired.**

# BULLPIT

## SAC earns new respect

**By ROB POTTER**

For the first time in at least two years Niagara College has a responsible Student Administrative Council (SAC).

Last year, for example, every time one heard about SAC it was because it had lost more money or failed to inform students about a meeting.

This year, however, if SAC fails to do its job it won't be because of lack of effort on the part of the SAC executives or most of the division representatives.

Reporters from the Niagara News are present at every SAC general meeting. A quick census of the newsroom showed general content with SAC's achievements so far this year and the feeling that SAC deserves at least an "E" for effort in doing its job as the student government at Niagara College.

Let's face it, SAC won't come up with the right answer all the time—has anyone heard of a government that does.

But SAC is fighting.

For example, at the Council of Regents meeting in Toronto, Dennis Reeves, SAC president, asked why colleges away from Toronto have less in the way of facilities than those in Toronto. He later asked NDP member of the provincial legislature, Mel Swart, to help Niagara get more facilities such as lounges.

Even if no favorable results are garnered from these attempts on our behalf, Dennis is to be commended for his efforts.

Another unique thing about this year's SAC is the fact that it is showing a profit. Latest figures we've heard are $1,100 and, although that doesn't put us in competition with the Gross National Product of Canada, it is an improvement over previous years—especially when you realize that SAC took over a $3,800 debt at the beginning of this year.

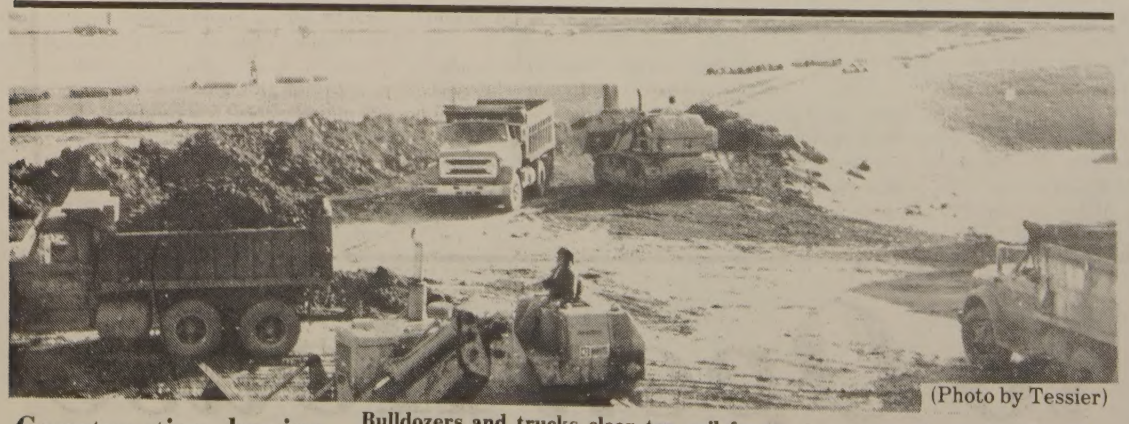
It has also instituted some new ideas for activities on campus such as the film nights to be held each month. This is an effort to give people who don't attend pubs some involvement in after-class activities.

An even more convincing example of SAC's sincerity is the penalty fine system it has instituted to assure attendance at meetings by executives. Perhaps the fine system should be unnecessary, and maybe it is for this year's SAC, but it does help to restore one's confidence in a body that has been questionable in previous years.

We hate to go back to the same lament that has vibrated air currents around Niagara College since Hennepin Hall was just a corridor, but SAC won't work at all without student involvement.

THAT MEANS YOU.

Niagara College has a good SAC and it could mean benefits for Niagara College students this year and in the future. Let's not blow it.



(Photo by Tessier)

**Construction begins** **Bulldozers and trucks clear top soil for the beginning of construction of Niagara's new building for business and technology programs.**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(Photo by Bruce)

**New lockers for Simcoe**

# Petition gets more lockers for Simcoe building

In response to a student petition, new lockers are being installed in the Simcoe Building. On Nov. 3, college workmen began installing the first of about 50 lockers which the administration hopes will alleviate the acute shortage of locker space in the building.

Asked if the new lockers are in response to the student petition, Jack Spittle, college manager of plant and property, said, "Yes." He added that about 50 new lockers will be installed.

Cindy Pirrie, a first-year fashion arts student and the instigator of the petition, was elated over the new installations.

"I was amazed," Cindy said of her first reaction when she saw the lockers. "I walked in and saw them and went, 'Whee, we got them'."

Cindy started the petition because she was forced to share a locker with three other girls and there wasn't enough room for everyone's things.

"Fashion arts students have a lot of things to carry around, papers and things, and there just wasn't enough room."

But—as things turned out—there really is no justice in this world, and if you don't believe it, just ask Cindy.

On Nov. 3, the day the new lockers were being installed on the second floor of the Simcoe building, Cindy and some of her classmates put their names on the new lockers

to reserve them until they could get locks on them.

The next day, Cindy stayed home due to a mild illness and on Nov. 5 when she came to school, she found that someone else had put a lock on the locker she reserved two days earlier.

Keeping cool, Cindy put up a sign on the locker which reads: "To whom it may concern, these lockers were petitioned by Fashion Arts students and have been reserved for them. Please vacate this locker as soon as possible. Signed, Cindy."

*We fervently hope that Cindy gets her locker back, but in this world where injustice rides roughshod over the toiling masses, Cindy Pirrie is just another victim whose struggle is little more than a fleeting memory.*

# *United Way contributions, N/C employees give more*

United Way contributions by Niagara College employees increased by 26 per cent this year.

Ivar Noren, co-ordinator of canvassers at Niagara, said the best figure in years was raised this year— $4,727 in comparison with $3,744 in 1974.

"We found a very generous attitude this year," he said. "We emphasized that it's up to the individual. We don't want to pressure a person into donating. It's up to us to give the campaign dignity."

Mr. Noren has been involved personally with the United Way for 10 years and was president of the Welland District United Way in 1970-71. He attributes the success of the '75 campaign to the fact that there were 30 canvassers, well organized, working on all campuses, except Wellandvale.

"They took the job very seriously and I am pleased with that," he added.

Student Administrative Council (SAC) donated $500 to the United Way which Mr. Noren said was "very well received."

All donations will be split among Welland, St. Catharines, Niagara Falls and Fort Erie United Way campaigns depending on the donor's wishes.

# Rape film here Nov. 20

The film, "How to Say No to a Rapist and Survive" will be shown at Niagara College a week from today, Thursday, Nov. 20.

It will be shown in Room 309 of the Simcoe building at 12:05. Admission will be free for all staff and students.

# *Ontario Cabinet comes to Niagara Wed.,Nov.19.*

The Ontario Provincial Cabinet is coming to Niagara College on Wednesday, Nov. 19, to meet, hear briefs from individuals, groups and, to a lesser extent, municipalities.

During the morning session, the cabinet will be in closed session. It will have a working lunch and at 2 p.m. an open session will accept briefs.

The meeting does not, however, encourage briefs from municipalities because they have other methods of presentation of briefs to the Ontario government.

Copies of all briefs to be presented were to be handed in by Nov. 10 so that they may be reviewed beforehand. Because of the mail strike, dropoff points, for the briefs, have been designated in the area.

Depending on the number of briefs to be presented, the cabinet could break up into smaller groups to review them.

A secretary to Premier William Davis, Mary L. Gaby, said it is expected to be a "lively meeting."

She said it is expected that most of the cabinet ministers will be present.

Rooms expected to be used by the cabinet are Hamilton Room, S211 and S309.

# NEWS BRIEFS

## *Semi-formal*

The Student Administrative Council (SAC) will hold a semi-formal dance this year in early January.

The dance will be held at the Brock Hotel Ballroom in Niagara Falls with a tentative date set for Jan. 10.

Although plans are not yet final, Jeff Morrison, SAC vice-president of internal affairs, said the cost would be about $15 a couple including a meal worth about $11.

Dress will be suit and tie for men and dress or pant-suit for women, Jeff said.

## *Enrolment*

Enrolment figures for full-time students in retraining programs have increased this year, mainly due to an increase in welding students.

In his report to the Board of Governors on Thursday, Oct. 23, A. S. Manera, president, said 590 full-time retraining students were reported registered as of Sept. 30. This is an increase of 72 students over last year, and 155 students since 1973.

Mr. Manera said there are close to 3,000 students registered in retraining programs on either a full-time or part-time basis.

## *Parking reduced*

Students who have been parking on the east side of Simcoe, where construction on the new building has begun, have had to join the masses looking for parking places in A, B, C and D lots and Woodlawn.

Because of the construction this available parking has been eliminated.

Jack Spittle, manager of property and plant construction, said the other areas of parking have never been completely fille.

A notice was posted saying the north doors to Simcoe would be locked commencing Wednesday, Nov. 5.

(Photo by Tessier)

**Ineke van Doorn**

# 2 1/2 months on a kibbutz for Niagara College student

By MARK TESSIER

Working on a kibbutz for 2½ months may not be everyone's idea of the best way to spend your time in Europe, but Ineke van Doorn is "dying to get back."

Ineke, a first-year journalism student here, was travelling around Europe with friends when she ran out of money in cold, wet Italy. She looked at a map of Europe, decided on the warmest spot, and left for Tel Aviv.

Upon arrival, she learned about working on a kibbutz. She was accepted and went to Degania Alef, in the Jordan Valley on the Sea of Galilee and the Jordan River.

As a volunteer member of the kibbutz, Ineke worked from 7 a.m. to about 2 p.m. every day except the Sabbath. In return, she received all her meals, lodging, personal needs such as stamps and cigarettes, and 85 Israeli pounds, which is about $28 American.

Ineke noted that full kibbutz members "made the same pay (as the volunteers), yet their life was much richer." They had all the resources of a regular community at their disposal, including cars, sailboats, stores and theatres.

Although the kibbutz where Ineke worked is only three kilometres from the Golan Heights, she said that they never noticed the war.

Speaking of her experiences on the kibbutz, Ineke said, "I really found out what life is all about and how it should be, in my opinion."

# FACS needs foster parents

Family and Children Services of the Niagara Region are looking for a couple to be foster parents for adolescent girls.

Karen Hanley, FACS public relations officer, said in a telephone interview, "We're having a really tough time finding people to help us."

She said FACS is hoping that someone with the right qualifications would come forward to help the group.

The ideal couple for the job would be graduates of a social services or child care program and would have experience with caring for girls aged 13 to 15.

Karen said a mature, young couple would be best suited for the job.

She admits the job is not at all an easy one—many of the girls come from tragic and troubled backgrounds and some have been in juvenile court. All the girls expenses are taken care of by FACS.

Along with the job comes an apartment adjacent to the FACS home in St. Catharines and a monthly retainer totalling $7,200 a year.

She said the job could be suitable for a couple willing to move and hopes that people from all over the region will apply.

"A lot of these kids are having trouble at school. They need help and understanding," she said, "I hope we can find someone who can provide that."


**OPPORTUNITY TO HELP TROUBLED KIDS**

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To the right couple, we will provide a large, attractive modern home, which includes a separate apartment for you, in a pleasant area in the Niagara Region. Good monthly remuneration, board and clothing for the girls, and adequate relief help.

To inquire further, please apply in confidence to Mrs. Doreen Robins, Family and Children's Services of the Niagara Region, 382-3166.

*Foster some hope*

FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES OF THE NIAGARA REGION

## Police close in on suspects

# Purse thefts in college increase

By CAROL MCKNIGHT

Niagara Regional police are closing in on a suspect in recent purse and wallet thefts at Niagara College. Six thefts have been reported in the college since last August.

Constable Robert Gunter of the Niagara Regional police warned students and staff to take better care of their valuables.

Until November police had little to go on. On Nov. 3, however, a major break came when a witness to an attempted theft was able to give a description to police.

Hardest hit of the victims was Bernadette Secco, radio and TV student, whose loss totalled about $400 worth. Other victims include two secretaries, Sharon Broderick and Nancy Byrne , the student awards officer, Mary Ellen Patterson, and one student, Linda Earnest.

Janet Arnott, program co-ordinator of Health Records, told the Niagara News she was teaching when she spotted the thief reaching into the purse of one of her students.

"I just happened to be working in this room next door to dicta class," said Mrs. Arnott. "I could see through the curtain and through the door and saw a boy with his hand in this girl's purse."

Mrs. Arnott said she had taken her class from their regular room into the dicta lab which is connected to it.The door to the main classroom was closed.

"We were away from the classroom for no more than three minutes," Mrs. Arnott said.

In that time, however, the thief entered the room, stole one wallet and was in the process of stealing another when he was caught.

Because students were talking and carpeted floors cut down on the noise of her footsteps when she approached, the thief did not hear her coming.

"I caught him by surprise," Mrs. Arnott said. "He hesitated as if he were going to say something.He looked as if he was going to, but then he turned and ran."

### Suspect description

According to Police Inspector A.Nelson of the Niagara Regional Police, the suspect seen by Mrs. Arnott is male, white, 18 to 19 years old, about five feet nine inches in height, of medium build, and has short curly blond hair. Inspector Nelson said Mrs. Arnott described the suspect as having a pointed chin and being "very handsome."

Mrs. Arnott told the News the thief was "a good looking boy, not what I would have expected. Not well dressed, but tidily dressed." She said he was "clean shaven" and his hair was shorter than that of most male students in the college.

Mrs. Arnott said. "I know my impression was that he was a student, not someone who would come in from outside." She said the thief was carrying a few books and, because the incident occurred about 9.20 a.m., suggested it may have been a student waiting to go into the math lab next to the dicta class in the Simcoe building.

### Too late

For Linda Earnest, spotting of the thief by Mrs. Arnott was a bit too late, as her wallet had already been lifted from her purse.

Linda said although she'd had no credit cards and only $7 in cash, all her identification, some of which would be difficult to replace, was in the wallet. Nancy Unkau, another student in Mrs. Arnott's class, was luckier than Linda, for it was her purse the thief was caught reaching into.

Linda was only one of five persons known to have had either a wallet or purse stolen since August.

### Maybe a student

Constable Gunter said, "From what we could see from the patterns, it would definitely be a student but not necessarily one there on a full-time basis."

The earliest theft reported was on Aug. 23 in Hennepin Hall. Sharon Broderick, secretary for hotel and tourism, had her purse stolen from an office she was working in. Mrs. Broderick said she left the office for only a few moments but left the door open because caretakers had locked it and she didn't have a key to get back in.

Mrs. Broderick said when she came back to the office the door was closed. After having a security guard open it, Mrs. Broderick noticed her purse missing.

"I looked in all possible and impossible places," said Mrs. Broderick. Security guards and police were quickly notified of the theft.

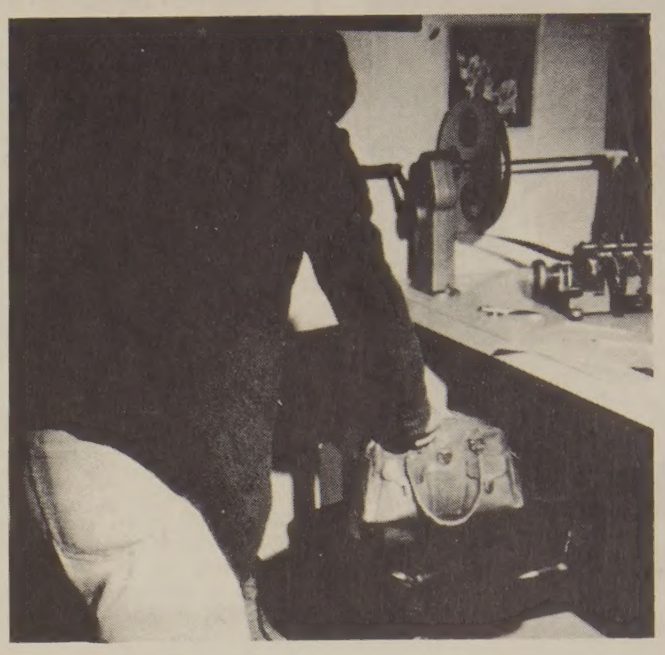
Mrs. Broderick said she had about $50 in cash, $100 in contents and eight credit cards. Included in the contents of the purse was a pair of brand new glasses worth $75.

The theft happened between three and four in the afternoon, said Mrs. Broderick.

Mary Ellen Patterson, student awards officer, had her purse stolen in late September. Mrs. Patterson said she had left her purse under the desk before leaving her office in the Simcoe building. She said she was gone "just a matter of a fairly short time, 10 or 15 minutes." In that time, someone entered the office and took her wallet from the purse.

Mrs. Patterson was more fortunate than other victims, for her wallet was later found in one of the male staff washrooms in a waste-basket.

"The wallet was intact except the money was cleaned out completely," Mrs. Patterson said. The money totalled $60.



Will YOU be this man's next victim?

(Posed photo by McKnight)

### Twice a victim

Nancy Byrne , secretary to the chairman of the mechanical civil division, School of Applied Science and Technology, was twice the victim of a purse and wallet thief. Mrs. Byrne had her wallet stolen Tuesday, Sept. 9; it contained between $40 and $50.

Two days later, her purse was stolen. In the second theft, Mrs. Byrne said only a small amout of money was lost, but five credit cards, identification, and several personal items were in the purse. She said many of the items in her purse were not of monetary value, but were things she valued and cherished.

Mrs. Byrne said she kept her purse in one of the desk drawers but, until the theft, had never made it a practice to lock either the desk or office door.

She said she left the office for about 45 minutes and the purse must have been taken in that time.

### Hardest hit

Another purse was stolen Tuesday Oct. 28, this one from Bernadette Secco. Bernie said although she had only $15 in cash, she had about $400 worth of valuables, including contact lenses, glasses, a smaller purse, identification and medicine.

Bernie said she had been in the film editing room all morning by herself, until 10:20 a.m. when she left for "not more than four minutes" to buy a coffee.

When she came back to the room and found her purse missing, she and friends immediately searched all washrooms in the Simcoe and Voyageur buildings. Later all washrooms in the college were searched.

Jack Spittle, Niagara College property manager, was able to say little about the thefts, "only that they've occurred." Mr. Spittle said police had been notified, and "that's all we really can do about it."

Before Mrs. Arnott spotted the suspect, Constable Gunter said, "We strongly suspect students, a particular student in the school. But what you suspect and what is are two different things."

He said one of the first things a person should do if a purse or wallet is stolen is to check all washrooms.

# Ages 17 – 24 hitting drugs

By BILL RADUNSKY

Males and females aged 17-24 form a large percentage of people sentenced for drug abuse in the Niagara region.

Two students in the Law and Security Administration program, Maureen Esson and Brenda MacFarlane, determined this during the summer in a survey named A Study of the Age and Sex of People Sentenced for Drug Abuse Crimes in the Niagara Region.

Objective of their study, according to their report, was "to identify the characteristic age range(s) and sex of those offenders sentenced for drug abuse crimes."

The study was divided into four categories of drug offenders: alcohol, narcotics, controlled drugs and restricted drugs.

Alcohol was divided into two offences. One, public intoxication, found 26 per cent of male and female offenders were 17 to 24.

The second, impaired driving, found 26 per cent of male offenders were 17 to 24.

Narcotics was also divided into two offences. The first, addicting opiates, had 100 per cent of the offenders, male and female, in the 17 to 24 age group. Males made up 70 per cent of this group.

The other division, marijuana, was again totally made up of males and females from 17 to 24. This time males made up 82 per cent of the total.

For controlled and restricted drugs, the results were the same with 100 per cent of the offenders being 17 to 24, male and female. In controlled drugs, males made up 57 per cent and for restricted drugs, 79 per cent.

# Pub profits in September

Pubs at Niagara, which last year lost $3,779, made $1,185.35 in September alone, according to Jim Chapman, Student Administrative Council (SAC) vice-president of finance.

Jim called it "quite a good month" but doesn't expect it to continue as the guest pass system isn't going over too well and attendance has dropped at pubs.

At the Nov. 3 meeting SAC president Dennis Reeves said the council executive was going to meet in a closed session to discuss guest passes.

# *$11,925 LIP grant for nature park*

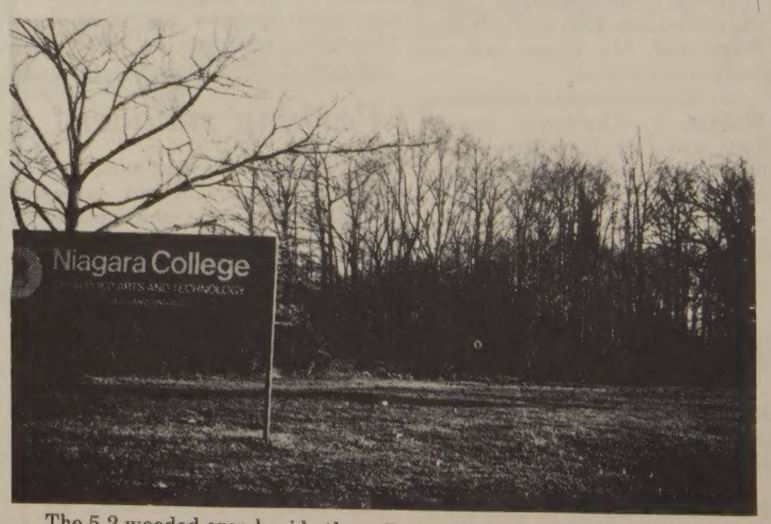
The 5.2-acre wooded area between the Student Administrative Council house and Hennepin Hall will be turned into a nature park as a result of an $11,925 Local Initiatives Program (LIP) grant.

The grant was received by the Sherwood Activities Centre, a group of residents from the area adjacent to the college.

Ivar Noren, chairman of the business division and a member of the Sherwood group, said although the grant was not given to the college, the Sherwood group will be working very closely with the college. Peter Mansfield, program co-ordinator of horticulture will be the group's technical advisor.

This is important as there are some natural beechwood trees in the section of the land closest to Hennepin Hall, Mr. Noren said. These trees are sensitive to changes in their environment and could easily die if their surroundings were changed too severely.

Other areas of the property will be levelled with topsoil and some trees will be cut down in favor of pathways.




The 5.2 wooded area beside the college will soon be turned into a nature park.

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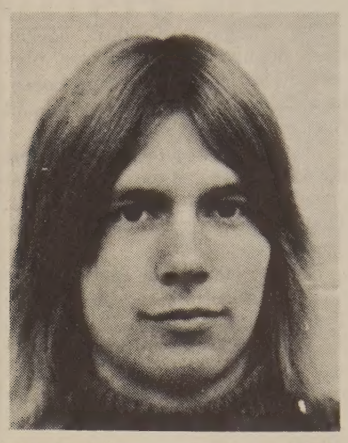
# Roving Reporter:

By CAROL MCKNIGHT and MARK TESSIER

**Question — Do you attend school athletic games?**



**Rick Rodrigue — Radio and TV, year one:** "Not yet. I don't know when anything's going on."

**Pat Letwin — Social Services, year two:** "No, I don't have time."

**Diana Schoen — Law and Security, year one** — "I haven't yet because I work."

**Maria Giancola — Secretarial, year one:** "I haven't been to one here yet. I live in Port Colborne and I don't have a way to get here. But I like all sports."

**Brad Chatwim — Business Administration, year three:** "Yes, I attend them. I think they're good for the college and the teams. More people should support them."

# N/C hams compete in global contest

By BILL RADUNSKY

Forty-eight hours is a long time to sit by a radio, but when that sitting involves contacting about 250 different countries, maybe it isn't so long.

That is what four members of Niagara College's Amateur Radio Club did a few weekends ago.

The four—Richard Furbacher, faculty advisor, Robert Sleath, president, Ian Amos and Joe Adams—took shifts manning the equipment during a worldwide amateur radio contest on Oct. 25 and 26.

The contest involved about 350 countries, including a couple that were specially set up just for the weekend. These weekend countries involved operators who got permission to set up on an island, with country status, for the weekend.

Robert said he was confident that Niagara could win the Canadian division.

Although the actual results of the contest will not be known for about six to eight months, Robert figured they had made 500 contacts with about 250 of these being to different countries. They will receive a point for every country they contacted outside of North America.

The contest, strictly a voice contest, is the largest of its kind in the world.

Its purpose was to see how many countries one could reach in the allotted time, and, in addition, to test world radio communications in the event of a disaster.

Niagara's club, whose call number was VE3 NCT, was entered into the multi-band, multi-operator category. This meant that they had more than one complete station (although only one station could function at a time), and more than one operator.

The equipment used by the members of the radio club was borrowed and valued at about $6,000. The club has some of its own equipment, but it is only a base unit without enough power to be in such a contest. What was needed were more sets, amplifiers and equipment with the ability to monitor various frequencies.

# Canada Manpower teaches job search techniques

By BEV DELANEY

Graduating this year? Your local Canada Manpower Centre (CMC) has the ideal post-graduate course. Creative Job Search Techniques in two sessions teaches the most effective job-hunting method.

After two jobless months, Caroline, 38, a Niagara College commercial refresher course graduate, hopes to use the course as a springboard to a better job. Caroline has secretarial experience, has been out of work for two months and had applied to about 20 employers before taking the course in Niagara Falls.

The course has a 73 per cent success rate in Niagara Falls, according to Henry Braun, course leader. On any given day, there are 500 jobs available in the city. Four per cent of the work force will be ill, retiring or changing jobs.

The first session centres on job and educational services available to job seekers through Canada Manpower. Students are taught how to write resumes and sent home with a list of questions to consider privately before writing their own resume.

At the second session, the proper technique for job interviews is taught. The resume smooths the way and makes a permanent record for the employer. This session concludes with a seminar on job-hunting difficulties.

Canada Manpower Centre will also type and photocopy resumes for job seekers. For further information, contact your local CMC office.

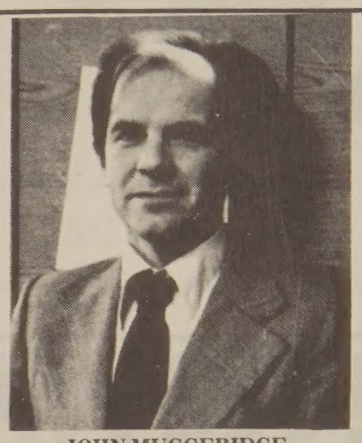
# N/C mail moves throughout strike

Niagara College hired a courier service to handle essential college mail during the nation-wide postal strike.

The service is provided by Ensign Security of Welland. The cost of sending a letter to Toronto is $1, as opposed to eight cents by Canada Post.

To keep costs to a minimum, college employees have been asked not to include their personal mail in any orders sent by courier. Departments have been asked to combine their mail when dealing with the same recipient.

The service was set up in the Niagara peninsula to Metro Toronto and to the United States postal service in Buffalo and Niagara Falls, N.Y.



**JOHN MUGGERIDGE**
**English Instructor**

# *Muggeridge gets appointment*

John Muggeridge, English instructor at Niagara College, has been appointed Canadian Studies Specialist.

Beginning in January, Mr. Muggeridge will be responsible for "encouraging the introduction of new Canadian courses in the curriculum."

Mr. Muggeridge described his job as "generally to keep a high profile of Canadian studies and the college in both curricular and extra-curricular studies."

As well as his new position, Mr. Muggeridge will continue teaching English.

The position was previously held by David Michener.

# *Career day at the Falls*

More than 200 Niagara Falls high school students attended Hospital Career Day at the Niagara Falls Nursing Centre on Nov. 4. Students interested in the health care field were given the chance to see a hospital at work and talk to personnel in their area of interest.

"The turnout was excellent," Robert Baddeley, chairman of allied health programs.

Evelyn Gay, chairman of nursing, concurred; "we were pleased with the response; it was the largest yet."

Not surprisingly, the largest number of visitors were interested in nursing, 65 in all. Others were interested in physiotherapy, hospital administration, medicine, respiratory technology and social work. Courses available through Niagara College are nursing, medical records technology and typist and social work.

# Check your insurance now, you might lose everything

By JOHN BRUCE

Property insurance is probably the last thing to enter a student's mind in the midst of preparing to go away to school, leaving home for the first time and trying to get everything into that one suitcase.

But have you ever stopped to think what would happen if there were a fire in your landlord's house or a burglar stole your new stereo?

If you're boarding or renting, you should. The simple fact is that insuring your possessions is up to you, not your landlord. If you suffer a loss through fire or theft, to put it mildly, you've had it.

The Niagara News contacted three insurance agencies and all agreed that the onus is on the student to insure his possessions.

Representatives of the three agencies—F. E. Coyne Ltd., Allstate Insurance Co. and Co-operators Insurance Association (Guelph) (CIAG)—said the best way for a student to make sure that his possessions are covered is to have his parents' coverage extended to insure his things while the student is away at school. This can be done for a small additional premium.

The insurance companies also said that it is possible for the student to purchase his own insurance, though the Allstate representative said insurance companies consider students a bad risk.

The companies offer tenant protection policies. The rates vary from $30 per year with CIAG to $60 per year with Allstate for a minimum $6,000 coverage.

Liability insurance is a part of these policies as well. This could come in handy if a friend falls down the steps after a party and decides to sue you.

This policy also covers anything you might take with you on a weekend trip. Should you go skiing and someone steals your boots, your insurance covers the loss.

Viz Moody of the F. E. Coyne Agency, Welland, said the $40 uninsured motor vehicle fee that some students pay is NOT insurance. This fee guarantees that if you cause an accident, the Ontario government will pay the damages suffered by the other driver. But you have to repay every cent of it to the government.

# Pinball profits

Niagara College will contribute $200 this month to the Welland Youth Home (WYH) and $180 to a foster child over the rest of this school year.

Jim Chapman, Student Administrative Council (SAC) vice-president of finance, told the Oct. 27 general meeting the pinball machines bring in about $200 monthly, although SAC's financial report showed a total $183.75 from pinball commissions so far this year.

The WYH donation was proposed by Shelley Ward, vice-president of external affairs, who said last year's SAC donated one month's pinball profits—$198.

The money will come from profits from the pinball machines located in the lounge above the gymnasium in the Mackenzie Building.

SAC hopes it can get $1,000 for 10 bursaries next year.

# Dismal turnout at SAC film night

Only 30 people showed up for the first Student Administrative Council (SAC) film night. President Dennis Reeves termed the turnout "disappointing."

The film, The Sting, shown in the Hamilton Room Oct. 28, cost SAC $250 to rent. With the $45 collected at the door, the loss was $205. But a $25 projectionist's fee and a $6.30 shipping charge brought the total loss of the night to $236.30.

Jim Chapman, vice-president of finance, said he wrote to the film distributer asking for a rebate on the movie. But the company refused saying they were already giving SAC the college discount. However, a further discount will be given on any future films.

Dennis said the film nights may be continued on a monthly basis. The council had planned to show movies every two weeks.

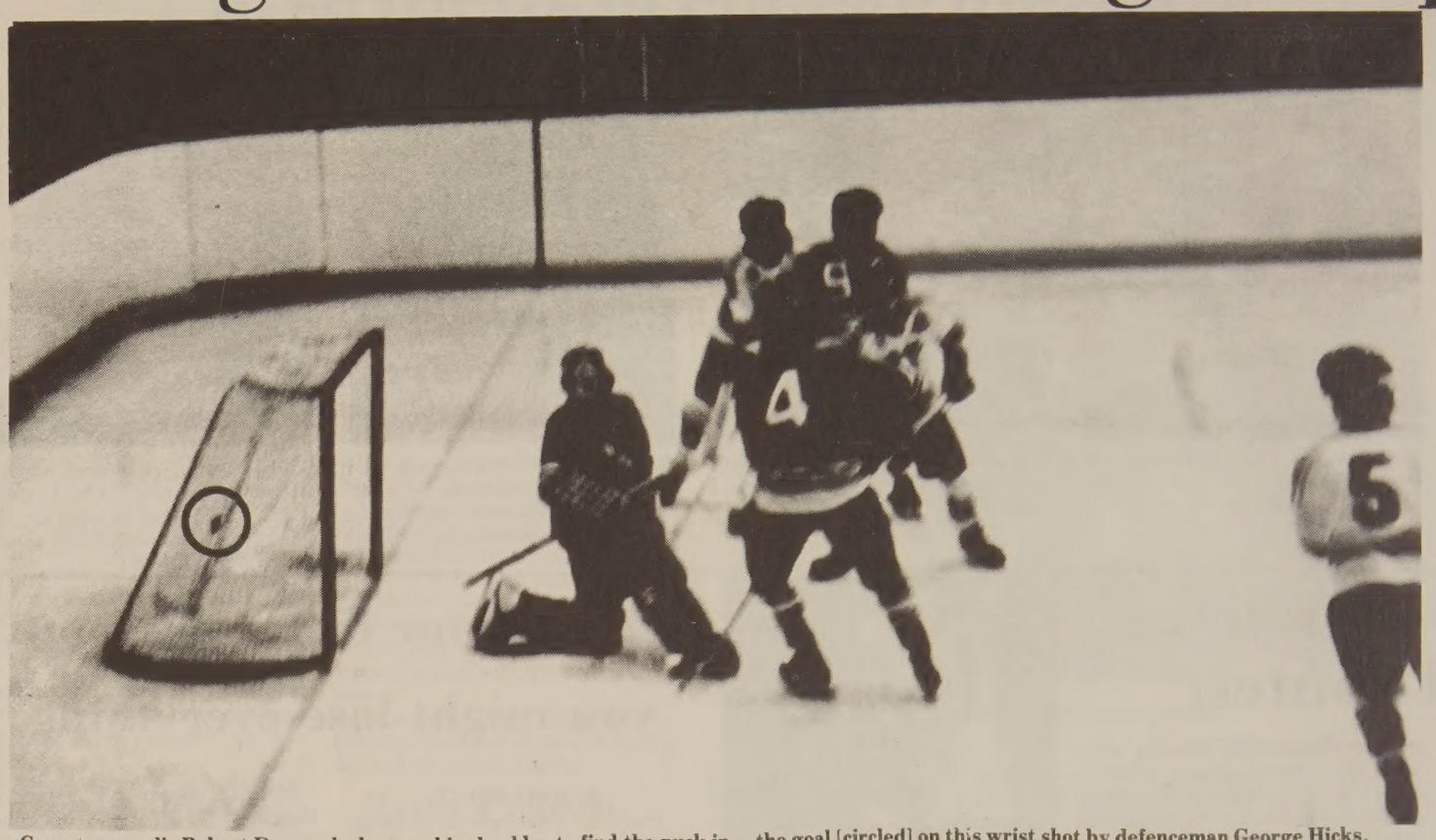
Of the students who did attend Oct. 28, most were in favor of movie nights at the college.

Niagara student Jim Goold said, "I think it's a good idea to show the movies because the admission prices at the theatres are too high."

Admission price of $1.50 is well below current theatre prices.

Another student, Judy Warrington, said, "I just hope the college gets some more recent movies than The Sting. I think then there will be more students."

# Knights crush Conestoga in opener



Conestoga goalie Robert Duncan looks over his shoulder to find the puck in the goal [circled] on this wrist shot by defenceman George Hicks. It was the first goal of the season as the Knights won 7-2.

(Photo by Kindy)

The Niagara Knights hockey team opened regular season play with a 7-2 victory, thumping Conestoga College Nov. 1 at the Welland Arena before a small crowd.

The Knights opened the scoring at 15:06 of the first period on a wrist shot by defenceman George Hicks. The Knights took a 1-0 lead into the dressing room.

They made it 2-0 early in the second period on a goal by Bob Tysen. Conestoga closed the gap to 2-1 when left winger Serge Fabbro scored. Niagara added two more goals in the second period to hold a three goal lead going into the final stanza.

The game got quite chippy in the second period. Conestoga drew six minors and one major penalty while the Knights drew five minors, one major and a game misconduct.

Conestoga once again narrowed the gap on a goal by captain Mark Corney. The Knights were not to be denied and added three more goals to skate off victorious.

Linemates Pat Flynn and Bob Tysen accounted for eight points in Niagara's attack. Flynn scored two goals and two assists and Tysen had one goal and three assists.

Bill Brown also potted two goals for the Knights and Ron Snider and George Hicks added singles.

## *Cagers lose to Medaille*

Niagara's basketball Knights were trounced 92-54 by the Medaille College Cagers of Buffalo Oct. 23.

The first half was a disappointing one as the Knights were outscored 46-18. They were unable to handle the Buffalo team which ran and ran and ran for the whole half.

The second half was more encouraging for Knights' coach Peter Rylander as the Niagara offence came out of hiding and started to score. Rebounding also showed some improvement due to the fine work of John Thompson.

Brian Johnson and Mark Tessier led Niagara's scoring with 11 points each.

# SPORTS

## Poor pre-season on ice, tough opposition for Niagara

The Niagara Knights hockey team completed pre-season play with a 1-3-1 record.

The Knights' lone victory was a 9-5 win against the Welland Sabres "B" squad.

The same "B" team retaliated one week later with a 9-4 victory over the Knights. The game was part of the United Way campaign played on Thanksgiving Day.

The Knights also suffered defeats to the Niagara Falls Canucks and the University of Buffalo. The Canucks edged the Knights 5-4.

University of Buffalo and Niagara engaged in a rough contest that saw four players ejected from the game. When the ice had cleared the Knights were on the short end of an 8-2 score.

Niagara Knights played their best game against Brock University but had to settle for a 6-6 draw. Brock had to come from behind to gain the tie.

## *Knights lose 2nd straight*

The basketball Knights went down to defeat for the second straight game Nov. 1.

They were dropped 76—52 by the much taller Royal Military College Redmen.

The Redmen dominated the rebounding at both ends of the floor throughout the game as well as using their height advantage to block most of the inside shots the Knights were able to get.

Knights shot a dismal 28 per cent from the floor, hitting only 18 of 60 shots. Brian Johnson led Niagara scorers with 17 points while Mike Soucie had 16. Tony Tasker of RMC led all scorers with 28.

## Why be unemployed? Be a chicken catcher

By BEV DELANEY

Niagara College students looking for part-time work have the opportunity of a lifetime. Richard Harvey is looking for chicken catchers.

For the past few weeks a notice has been posted throughout the campus with a note, "For Further Information, call Mrs. Harvey, ext. 326."

Lest you laugh too loudly, chicken-catching is a dirty test of skill and stamina. An experienced catcher can grab six chickens at one time, and most catchers apprehend 1,000 birds in 4½ hours.

"It's not an easy job," said Betty Harvey, Richard's mother. "Co-operation is essential since all the catchers are paid the same."

Catchers earn an average of $3 per hour, but an experienced crew can earn up to $7 hourly.

Richard Harvey, whose official title is chicken-catching boss, supplies catchers for 18 local barns. The work is on an on-call basis with a usual three days notice. This is a part-time job for Richard who is on a school sabbatical. Two weeks is his longest period without chicken-catching.

If you would like to try your hand at supplying birds for your local fried chicken outlet, contact Richard at 892-2916 after 4 p.m.

## *Bernard's health improves steadily*

Tim Bernard, Simcoe Building custodian, is reported recovering well from a stroke he suffered last month.

Mr. Bernard's wife told the Niagara News her husband was "improving all the time" but she didn't know when he would return to work.

She said he had been using a cane because of weakness in his legs but at press time, he was up and "walking around again."

Mr. Bernard has been at Niagara since November, 1969.

## *Labatt's tour to go this year*

The much-loved Labatt's Breweries tour is on for this year, according to Student Administrative Council (SAC) vice-president of external affairs Shelley Ward.

Shelley told the Oct. 27 meeting the Labatt's area representative informed SAC that the trips cancelled last year would be back in operation this year.

However, only 45 people will be allowed on the Niagara College expedition to the London brewery and seats on the bus will cost $3 each.

The tour is scheduled for Nov. 19 with Farr's Coach Lines Ltd. of Dunnville providing the transportation.

Following the tour of the breweries students will be given a free sample of beer and a meal.

Tickets for the bus will be available at the SAC office, Rice Road at Woodlawn Road while they last.

## N/C volleyball team 4th

The Niagara men's volleyball team travelled to Seneca in Toronto Nov. 3 to participate in a six-team volleyball tournament.

Niagara tied St. Clair for third place but since St. Clair beat the Knights during the tournament, Niagara was dropped to fourth.

Fanshawe of London won the tournament with an 8-2 won-lost record, followed by Loyalist of Belleville who were 6 and 4, St. Clair of Windsor and Niagara at 5 and 5, and Centennial and Seneca of Toronto at 4 and 6.

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# Sunday Open House offers special displays

Niagara College will display its various programs at Open House this Sunday from 1:00 - 5:30 at the Welland Campus on Woodlawn Road.

Exhibits of student work and college programming will be on display throughout the day.

All branches of the college, Applied Arts, Business, Technology, Health Services, Retraining and Community Education -- will be involved.Nursing, horticulture, retraining and theatre arts will have displays.

Some points of interest are a computerized business management game, remote TV telecasts, judo displays, oil paintings and a Niagara Knights basketball game.

Visitors may find special interest in a visit to the modern science labs or to live theatre in action or to view films on the journalism program and on women in technology.

There will be displays in all areas of the college. Ivan Noren of the business school said, "We don't usually draw as many to the Mackenzie Building because of our location but Open House is an excellent way of showing the community what we have to offer.

A children's centre will be operated by the Education Resource Technician students so parents can drop their children while touring Niagara College.

# Student from Bermuda likes country, hates winter

Pat Lightbourne and her family love it here in Canada. Well, almost. She's not looking forward to winter.

Mrs. Lightbourne, her husband, Dilton, and their six-year-old son, Shawn, are from Rockland's Estate, Bermuda, and have been in this country since mid-August. She is not just visiting, though. She is a student at Niagara College.

Here on a grant from the Bermuda government to further her education, she is a first-year student in Early Childhood Development and made Niagara the college of her choice.

"I was working with a government nursery school in Bermuda when they asked me if I would like to go back to school," she explained. "They offered me a government scholarship and the school of my choice.

"I applied to colleges all over. Only two— Niagara College and a school in London— offered the course I was interested in. We had been to Canada the year before on vacation and fell in love with it so I chose Niagara."

Pat Lightbourne

Another reason was the slower pace in Welland. This city is not quite as fast as London and is closer to the speed of back home,she said.

This has helped to make the transition from their tiny island to the world's second largest country fairly easy. All except for two things, that is:

"Winter," she said icily. "Winter and the traffic."

In Bermuda, the dead of winter means an average temperature between 60-65 degrees fahrenheit. The freezing temperatures of the last week of October were a little difficult on her and her family.

Getting used to the traffic in Canada, where speeds up to 70 miles per hour are allowable, was probably the hardest feat they had to contend with. A motor vehicle in Bermuda rarely travels more than 35 miles per hour.

Mrs. Lightbourne said another trick she found challenging was trying to get back into the studying groove after several years. She is not alone. Most of the students find this difficult to do after Christmas break.

She explained her main reason for choosing Niagara College over the others:

"This course allows the student to get right in with the children. The childhood centre on campus lets the student work directly with the children. Other courses didn't offer this and I feel you can learn better this way."

Her husband is an independent businessman in Bermuda. He owns an agency that finds accomodations for the many tourists who visit Bermuda each year. Being his own boss allowed him to come up here with his wife and son.

# Woman's organization considered for region

By BEV DELANEY

A permanent regional women's organization may be formed as a result of an Oct. 27 meeting at Niagara College. Niagara Women's Action Group met to discuss the report of the Women's Festival held at the college May 2 and 3, 1975.

About 20 women attended the meeting at which a comprehensive 50 page report on the Festival was presented. Every facet was covered in the report, from initial planning to the final summary, evaluation and recommendations.

In its summation, the Conference Committee wrote, "...some sort of permanent organization should be set up as a result of this meeting of women. It should address itself to both the need for action by women on community issues and to the need for a communication and information centre."

The Committee said the Festival had clearly shown a series of needs felt by women of the Region. They were: the need for information, the need for status, the need for involvement and the need for specific changes.

The resolution to form the working committee was passed unanimously with four abstentions. This committee has representation from all parts of the peninsula. It will report to a general meeting at Niagara College on Nov. 24.

The Women's Festival report gave detailed reports of all workshops. The parent workshop considered a chart on stereotyping of little boys and girls. As an example, boys are encouraged to be stron, to be leaders, and so they end up as politicians, warriors and athletes. Little girls are told to be weak, to be servants and so end up as nurses and secretaries.

"Is it any wonder?" asks the report. "If a boy takes on the other qualities he's known as effeminate, sissy or homosexual. If a girl takes on the other qualities, she is known as a tomboy, masculine, domineering or homosexual. Yet, they are all human qualities and feelings with no sex differentiation."

The Men's Liberation Workshop attracted 62 persons, with women outnumbering men five to one. Most delegates attending these sessions felt their ultimate aim was the liberation of all mankind. It was accepted that men as well as women suffer from sex stereotyping.

The workshop on Women in the Work Force voiced concern about the need for equal pay for equal work, anti discrimination legislation with teeth and adequate support services for working mothers. Women need more information about the role and power of unions.

Resource person Ruth Mesbur, a practicing Toronto lawyer, discussed the law as it relates to women focusing on marriage and divorce.

Other workshops considered the fields of family planning, the elderly, education, women in the church and the poverty trap. In addition to the workshops, a panel discussion was held, a revue by Barbara Hamilton and Sandra O'Neill was staged and arts and crafts were displayed.

Gail Taylor, field representative for the Department of the Secretary of State, commented in her report on the friendly open atmosphere at the festival. The main criticism centered upon administration problems: scarce and unclear signs; mistakes in the publicity leaflets; no clear policy on display tables and the fee charged for babysitting.

In conclusion, the report states that a permanent regional women's organization could easily be set up using the contact, mailing lists and resource persons from the Women's Festival. This group could be an action centre to focus on areas such as day care and work to pressure government to action. The organization would serve as a clearing-house for information both on available resources and possible courses of action where discrimination exists. Such a group "could provide involvement for any woman who wants it and reach out to those as yet uninvolved," the report said.

# SAC finances reported good

The Student Administrative Council (SAC) has released its financial report for the first two months of this year and so far things look good.

Jim Chapman, SAC vice-president of finance, issued the report at SAC's Oct. 27 general meeting.

Revenue so far this year from book sales, pinball commissions and the Ski Club amounted to $246.35 and pub profits -- not included in the report -- total $1,185.35. The report also did not include money from the first term SAC fee paid by students on registration.

Expenditures to date total $9,197.70 although only about $5,400 has been spent by this year's SAC which inherited a $3,800 deficit from last year.

Most expenditures so far have been in the form of honorariums for SAC executives, and office equipment for the SAC trailer on Rice Road.

Other than salaries and office suppplies, about $800 has gone for such things as telephone bills, administration expenses and cost of the orientation booklet.

SAC has also made commitments for clubs and athletics totalling $28,825 but these will be spread over the course of the year and don't affect SAC's budget yet.

Included in the report but not in the SAC debt is a $500 donation to the United Way early in October.

# Good response by students to armed forces presentation

The Canadian Armed Forces Recruiting Centre of St. Catharines was at Niagara College Oct. 23 for a presentation to all students in three year technology programs.

The armed forces are trying to recruit engineering graduates for service as officers. About 30 students attended the presentation in which a film, slides and transparencies were used to show the opportunities available.

Capt. Jim Hall of the recruiting office was quite pleased with the turnout. He said the response was better than they usually get at other colleges and universities.

"Generally, the response was quite good," he said. "Thirty to 40 per cent of the students who attended the presentation seemed interested enough in going out of town to see our facilities. We are making arrangements now to take some of them on a tour of our facilities in Halifax. Last year, five students from Niagara College took this tour."

Gordon McPherson, a college counsellor who helped with the arrangements, was pleasantly surprised.

"This didn't come on like my vision of the military at all," he said. "The give recruiting officers were quite sharp and gave a good presentation. They told of the moving around, pay, obligations and benefits. They made it sound more like a big company than the armed forces." The armed forces have a big recruiting drive to get engineering graduates. They will receive $805 upon enlistment and go into two years training. They are given the rank of lieutenant, incentive pay increases each year, and are eligible for promotion at the end of five years.

"When a person wants to leave, he simply gives six months notice," Capt. Hall explained. "We use this time to find and educate a replacement.

"The armed forces feel that these people don't owe us anything and they shouldn't be compelled to stay. We don't want people to stay in who don't want to."

# SAC? may take survey

A Roving Reporter survey, which showed that some people at Niagara don't know what "SAC" means, has caused the Student Administrative Council (SAC) to wonder what it should do.

In the survey, in the last issue of the Niagara News only two of five interviewed—and one of them an instructor—knew what "SAC" is.

SAC president Dennis Reeves asked council at its Nov. 3 meeting what action, if any, should be taken to inform the student body of SAC's meaning and functions.

A. S. Aboud, director of student services, said keeping the students aware of SAC is a problem every council in the history of the college has had. None had been able to handle the problem successfully.

A survey of the students was proposed. The survey would ask the students what could be done to make SAC more accessible to them

The proposal is being considered.

**Second in Canada**

# SME chartered student chapter

The Niagara College Student Chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) became the second chartered student chapter in Canada on Oct. 15.

The chartering ceremony took place in the staff dining room of the Black Walnut building at Niagara.

The SME is a worldwide organization made up of people associated with practising engineering functions, including superintendents, managers and even owners, says George Campbell, faculty advisor, student chapter.

Purpose of the organization is updating of knowledge in all phases of industry.

The chapter at Niagara is two years old and has been, until now, guided by the Niagara Senior Chapter, which was the first one in Canada. The charter makes Niagara equivalent to any other chapter and will deal directly with the national chapter.

Fanshaw College, London, was the first student chapter in Canada to be chartered.

The purpose of the Niagara chapter will be the professional development of the student, including things he cannot gain in summer employment or in regular lectures.

"This professional development includes plant tours and having leading individuals from all occupations come in to give insights into all functions performed within manufacturing facilities so students may be better able to make selections as to what they would like to follow after school," Mr. Campbell said.

D. Goodemote, national director, SME, welcomed the chapter and performed the actual induction.

Officers sworn in for Niagara's chapter were: Leslie DeBeau, chairman; Ronald Champagne, first vice chairman; Gregory Bowen, second vice-chairman; Randall Kwicinski, third vice-chairman; Lenard Ozymtchak, secretary, and Peter Armour, treasurer.

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**Thank you for coming to Open House and we hope you enjoy your visit to the College.**

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